

60426-206  
2000P07843US01

**REMARKS**

Claims 15-18 have been allowed. The Board reversed the Examiner's rejection of claim 23. Claim 23 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of base claim 22. Claims 19-22 and 24 have been cancelled.

Thus, claims 15-18 and 23 are in condition for allowance. No additional fees are seen to be required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment. Therefore, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

CARLSON, GASKEY & OLDS, P.C.



Karin H. Butchko  
Registration No. 45,864  
Attorneys for Applicant  
400 West Maple Road, Suite 350  
Birmingham, Michigan 48009  
(248) 988-8360

Dated: November 12, 2004

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, (703) 872-9306 on November 12, 2004.

  
Amy Spaulding

N:\clients\kieMENS\p00206\patent206response4.doc